



WILMINGTON, N. C.  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1872.[SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL.]  
Fatal Explosion on the A. & R.—Three Men Killed.  
Goldsboro, N. C., Oct. 15.A freight engine on the Atlantic and  
North Carolina Railroad exploded to-day  
at Dover Station, killing engineer Faquin,  
conductor Arendell, and fireman Brown,  
colored. It is thought that the engineer  
was drunk.READ the address of the National Democ-  
ratic Executive Committee, to be found  
on our first page.

## The Fat.

We publish elsewhere a full list of the  
Special Premiums to be competed for at  
the next Fair of the Cape Fear Agricultural  
Association. These Premiums are  
liberal and embrace the various branches  
of industry. Very general circulation has  
been given, and we trust to see a lively com-  
petition. While our friends in the country  
have made some just complaints of a  
want of due liberality in some quarters,  
still there is, on the other hand, very just  
complaints that premiums have not always  
been called forth such competition as their value  
merited. Let there be no further grounds  
for either. If each will show a just ap-  
preciation of the other's efforts there will be  
no want of due liberality.

## WILMINGTON, CHARLOTTE AND RUTHERFORD RAILROAD.

It is well known to our readers and to  
the public generally that this road failed to  
pay the interest on its bonded debt, due in  
January and July last, and that in conse-  
quence thereof, proceedings were instituted  
at the ensuing term of the Superior Court,  
for New Hanover county, for the purpose  
of foreclosing the mortgage and selling the  
road. It is understood also that it is the  
purpose of the creditors secured by the  
mortgage to organize a new company to  
buy the road, and to complete it at the  
earliest practicable moment.As we have had occasion to say hereto-  
fore, it is of vital interest to the city of Wil-  
mingtont that its ocean terminus, that the  
road should be completed at an early day;  
nor is it of any less importance to our  
sister city of Charlotte, the great inland  
market of the State; indeed the prosperity  
of the country all along the whole line  
of the road, is dependent upon the facilities  
it offers for trade and transportation. It is  
estimated that the saving at Charlotte alone  
in the reduction of freights, &c., will  
amount to fifty thousand dollars per an-We look forward for a successful Fair.  
The officers in charge will do all in their  
power to make it so. Let our people turn  
out and bring with them the products of  
their labors and ingenuity. They will find  
a warm welcome from our citizens and a  
generous recognition of their efforts by the  
Association. We can and should make the  
annual Fairs of the Cape Fear Agricultural  
Association not only creditable exhibitions  
of agricultural, mechanical and commercial  
enterprise, but great social reunions.

## What Have We to Expect?

If any people have cause for earnest,  
unceasing work during the next three  
weeks it is the people of North Carolina.  
It is possible, nay, it is even probable, that  
the result of the Presidential campaign will  
turn upon the vote of this State. It is not  
only possible, wavy, but it is probable, that  
the vote of North Carolina will determine  
whether Horace Greeley or Ulysses Grant  
shall be the next President of the United  
States.What have we to expect from the elec-  
tion of General Grant?For near four years President Grant has  
administered the Government of the United  
States with a systematic, contemptuous dis-  
regard of the laws of the country. Almost  
his very first act was to disregard a law  
that had been upon the Statute Book from  
the foundation of the Government almost.  
As he began, so has he continued. Under  
his rule fraud, corruption and violence have  
become the almost inseparable incidents  
of the administration of justice, so-called.Arbitrary, military law has become a thing  
of common occurrence. Blank warrants, in  
palpable, express violation of the Constitu-  
tion, are constantly issued and ex-  
ecuted, to the great oppression of the citizen-  
ry. These acts are of constant occur-  
rence. President Grant neither knows nor  
cares how grossly he violates the law of the  
land. An avowed candidate for reelection,  
he comes before the people and asks  
their suffrages under a Constitution that he  
himself violates.There is no need to go back to the un-  
settled times that followed the surrender  
at Appomattox Court House for proof of  
our statements. There is no need to go  
back more than thirty days to make up a  
record sufficient to subject Grant and his  
Administration to theodium of all good  
men for ages to come.Let us recall a few facts that have  
come to our knowledge within the last  
few days, for which the Administration of  
President Grant is directly responsible.In Cleveland county, in this State, one  
of Grant's United States Deputy Marshals,  
with a file of United States soldiers, broke  
up a meeting of the King's Mountain Baptist  
Association, dispersed the people, and  
arrested women and children at the point  
of the bayonet.In Gaston county the outrages by Fed-  
eral officers have been of so gross a characterthat David A. Jenkins, the Radical Treas-  
urer of the State, has publicly proffered  
himself as a witness to testify against

him.

What a record for less than thirty days!

All these violations of law have our ob-  
ject, and one only in view, and that is to  
overawe and intimidate the people so thatthey may be prevented from expressing  
their hostility and hatred to General Grant  
and his administration.Such acts as these are committed in  
the broad light of day, without any pre-  
tence of concealment or denial, it is strange  
that in the night time the peaceful inhabi-  
tants of a sleeping city should be awakened  
by terrible explosions, and learn that  
another act of lawlessness had been com-  
mitted; that under cover of darkness an  
attempt had been made to accomplish in an-  
other way what neither imprisonment nor  
attempted assassination had been able to  
do—the destruction of the freedom of the  
press in North Carolina?That the attempts to assassinate Mr.  
Turner, the attempts to assassinate his wife,  
and the destruction of the *Sentinel* printing  
office were the legitimate fruits of  
the teaching and practice of the State and  
Federal administrators during the last four  
years, we honestly believe. Holden,  
Caldwell and Grant are responsible  
for the existence of a state of society  
and of government, that permits such  
crimes as this and thousands of others  
equally heinous, to be committed with impunity.A continuance of this state of things is  
all we have a right to expect if President  
Grant be re-elected. Under the presidency  
of Mr. Greeley we have a right to expect,  
and to rejoice, the joys and blessings of  
an honest, constitutional Government.Remember that the vote of North  
Carolina may decide the question. Let no  
man, then, fail in his duty.THE New York *Herald* having said that  
the Greeley allies had suffered from the  
absence of any well-defined issues involving  
a principle of government, the *Tribune*  
makes the following just reply:Reconciliation with the South, Reform  
at the South, Reform at the North, an end  
to proscription, to carpet-bag robbery, to  
the reign of corruption and the choice of  
Governors by convicts—are not these well-  
defined issues? Do not these involve prin-  
ciples of government? If members of  
Congress are to be chosen by their shares  
of dividends; if a Senator of the United  
States goes about telling falsehoods to  
catch the votes of Irishmen and Germans; if  
Grant makes a family master of the offi-  
cials, and sends unworthy persons to repre-  
sent at foreign courts, either because  
they are his relations or because of partic-  
ular friends; if all the Postmasters and can-  
siders break down the circulation of a  
newspaper because they do not like it any  
better than they like it; if the Heads of  
the Departments leave their duties to make  
partisan stump speeches in behalf of the  
President; if Clerks paid by the nation are  
detained to do the documents, and to  
catch the post office by forging frank-  
stamps; then we say that there is a plenty of issues  
always and wherever and by whomsoever  
these offenses are defend'd.

## WILMINGTON, CHARLOTTE AND RUTHERFORD RAILROAD.

His Excellency, the President of the  
United States, in his hot haste after the Penn-  
sylvania election, has rushed into print  
with a formal proclamation, calling upon  
all good people to meet on the 25th of No-  
vember "in their respective places of wor-  
ship and there make their acknowledg-  
ments to God for his kindness and boun-  
dary during the past year." His Excellency  
was pleased to vouchsafe to us in that same  
document the following information:"If any people have more occasion than  
is common for such thankfulness, it is the  
citizens of the United States, whose gov-  
ernment is their creature, subject to their  
will, who have deserved to themselves  
ample civil and religious freedom and  
equality before the law."For this and all his other favors we re-  
spectfully say "Thanks." We trust, how-  
ever, we shall not be deemed disloyal if we  
confess that this great State Paper seems to  
us to be "a good deal mixed." In the  
first place we are unable just now to point  
out that people of the United States "whose  
government is their creature and subject to  
their wills, who have deserved to themselves  
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equality before the law."KENANSVILLE, N. C., Oct. 15th, 1872.  
Editor *Journal*—DEAR Sir—Dr. James  
W. Blount and Isaac B. Kelley, Esq., demo-  
cratic sub-delegates for the county of Duplin,  
will address the people at the following  
times and places:Sundays, Wednesday, October 23rd.  
Albertson, Thursday, " 24th.  
Branches' Store, Friday, " 25th.  
Winders, Saturday, " 26th.  
Faison, Monday, " 28th.  
Warsaw, Tuesday, " 29th.  
Magnolia, Wednesday, " 30th.  
Boney's Store, Thursday, " 31st.  
Snatchet, Saturday, " 1st.  
Kenansville, Monday, " 2d.

The LATEST HORROR.

FEARFUL RAILROAD ACCIDENT  
NEAR NEWBURN.

## A. FULL ACCOUNT.

We find in yesterday's *Newbern Times*the following full account of the fearful ac-  
cident which recently occurred near New-  
bern, a report of which was published by us  
yesterday, in a special dispatch. The  
Times says:The down freight train on the A. &  
N. C. R. started from Dover yesterday  
morning, about 10½ o'clock, and while the  
up mail was waiting for the train to  
pass out, the report of a rifle shot  
was made. A conductor, Mr. McNeil, was  
superintending the loading of freight, and  
as pleasant as usual. I noticed him jump  
on the engine, and heard him give the sig-  
nal to go ahead. The Colfax whistled off  
breaks, and her bell struck as she moved  
ahead. The train had gone, but a short  
distance, when a report of a rifle shot  
like a pistol shot was heard, and supposed that  
a keg of powder had exploded in a freight  
car, and upon repeating to the scene of the  
disaster I found that the boiler of the loco-  
motive had been blown into fragments,  
and the three following named employees  
were killed, and the other two injured.Grant's officers openly break up a meet-  
ing of an orderly Baptist Association, and so  
as we know go unpunished and straightway  
their master talk about "religious freedom!" Faugh!

## Georgia: Her Fate:

The indications are that there is trouble  
ahead for Georgia, in case of President  
Grant's re-election. The overwhelming  
majority by which the Greeley allies have  
just carried that State, has demonstrated  
beyond a doubt that Grant has no foothold  
in Georgia. Indeed, Governor Smith's  
majority was so great that it is vain to  
think of overcoming it by any thought  
of our party to our city, to our people,  
and to our government.Committee of Union Seminary and  
Rev. A. D. McElroy tendered their resigna-  
tion. The Rev. D. C. McElroy was appointed  
to succeed them.The great benefits cannot be realized  
until the gap between the two divisions of  
the road is filled up. The matter now stands  
as it was at the Thanksgiving pot, and we  
may, therefore, be concerning ourself about a  
matter with which we have nothing to do.Should President Grant do not invite Fred  
Douglas to dine at the White House—  
Does the President mean to say there is no  
need for any further legislation in behalf  
of the negroes? Does he mean to invite  
only white people to eat "apple sass and  
pumpkin pie" on the 28th, like he did at  
his San Domingo Commission's dinner?We know not how these things may be.  
It is possible that the names of no North  
Carolina people, either white or black, are  
in the Thanksgiving pot that divides that  
divides the North from the South. Every day  
that is allowed to pass without completing  
this great work to our city, to our people,  
and to our government.No one would rejoice more than we at  
seeing our own roads in the hands of our  
own people. But as the matter now stands  
this seems simply impossible. It will be  
remembered that at a special meeting of  
the Stockholders held last April, it was  
ordered that an attempt should be made to  
raise money by subscription to pay the  
interest and to finish the road. The  
Stockholders went so far, indeed, as to offer  
second mortgage bonds to such sub-  
scribers as fifty cents on the dollar; but if  
we are correctly informed, not a dollar was  
raised in consequence of this action on the  
part of the Stockholders!As a necessary result of the failure to pay  
the interest due on its mortgage bonds, the  
road now lies at the mercy of the mortgage  
bondholders, who have taken the necessary  
steps to enforce their legal rights.The mortgage is said to be very full and  
complete, and in legal shape, and the bond-  
holders will doubtless get their decree of  
foreclosure and sale whenever the court  
shall act in the matter.These being the facts of the case, as we  
understand them, it seems to us to tend  
directly to the injury of our people, to inter-  
fere any objection by which the decree of  
foreclosure will be delayed, and the road  
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## LOCAL.

house belonging to Charles R. Miller, on the line of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, about 6 miles from the city, was destroyed by fire on Sunday last.

There was no one living in it at the time, and there is but little doubt that it is the act of an incendiary.

Mr. Fair of the Roanoke and Tar River Agricultural Society League at Weldon on the 20th instant, continuing four.

The officers and Executive Committee have labored hard to make this one of the most attractive of the many Fairs to be held in the State this Fall, and the indications now are that it will be very successful.

The premium list of exhibits is

large and varied, and every department of science and art has had full attention.

Our school has given our friends at the up-  
per end of the line.

NOTING AT FAIR.—We understand

that a grand fair was held on Sunday evening.

Rocky Point, in this county, between Goldsboro and Raleigh, went into effect on Monday.

The train now leaves Goldsboro at 3 P. M., and arrives at 11:40 A. M.

The little town of Durham has sub-

scribed \$100 towards restoring the *Scouting* office.

Two gentlemen in Raleigh contri-

buted \$50 each.

There are now three cases of small pox in Nashua, Green Cobb and his two

daughters. The school is closed and no

one is allowed to pass.

Hon. T. J. Jones, Greely and Brown

elector for the State at large, has removed

his residence to Greenville, Pitt county,

where he will continue his profession, the

law.

The debt of the State of North Carolina

was paid off \$29,900,045. The interest on this

debt, due and unpaid, amounts to \$9,781,

42 15.

The Goldsboro' Messenger learns that

three "Yankee sharpers" are traveling that

way selling counterfeited currency, and

even ten dollars bill. Look out for them

and let me know.

Owing to a misapprehension of the law,

the State was 20 others, making 60 in all,

and a trial at Lumberton at 10:45 o'clock,

the members all formed into process-

and marched up into the town, halting

at Albans' Lodge, No. 114, where were

100 Masons awaiting them.

These from Lumberton and from Lodges

the line of the W. C. & R. R. as

up a Wadesboro'. By request, St.

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up a Wadesboro'. By request, St.

St. Lodge No. 100, the Lodge at Lumberton

was number 20, others, making 60 in all,

and the members all formed into process-

and marched up into the town, halting

at Albans' Lodge, No. 114, where were

100 Masons awaiting them.

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